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Filing Date: October 27, 2003  
Applicant: Lars STIBLERT et al.  
Group Art Unit: 9192  
Examiner: Unknown  
Title: A METHOD FOR WRITING A PATTERN ON A  
SURFACE INTENDED FOR USE IN EXPOSURE  
EQUIPMENT AND FOR MEASURING THE PHYSICAL  
PROPERTIES OF THE SURFACE  
Attorney Docket: 91000-000008/US

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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February 17, 2004

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**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page two (2) of this Preliminary Amendment.



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